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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. TERAMURA, et al  
Serial No.: 10/811,905  
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For: ELECTRONIC KEY SYSTEM AND ELECTRONIC KEY USAGE METHOD  
Group: 2635  
Examiner: W. L. Bangachon

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 11, 2006

Sir:

The following is in response to the March 20, 2006 Office Action in which the Examiner alleges that restriction under 35 USC §121 is required and requested Applicants to elect one of the alleged inventions.

In response to the restriction requirement Applicants hereby elect without traverse invention, Group I, claims 1-9, 12 and 15-18 for further prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, an Office Action examining claims 1-9, 12 and 15-18 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (TSM-39).

Respectfully submitted,

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